

**199—4.12(17A) Effect of a declaratory order.** The issuance of a declaratory order constitutes final agency action on the petition. A declaratory order shall be binding on the board, on the petitioner, on any intervenors who consent to be bound, and on any persons who would be necessary parties, who are served pursuant to subrule 4.6(1), and who consent to be bound, in cases in which the relevant facts and the law involved are substantially indistinguishable from those on which the order was based. As to all other persons, a declaratory order serves only as precedent and is not binding on the board.

A declaratory order shall be effective upon the date of issuance.  
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